

(c) No part of any payment hereunder shall be subject to any debt or debts created prior to the date of this Act by a beneficiary of Indian blood. Payment to living enrollees, unless under twenty-one years of age, or under legal disability, shall be completed within one year after approval of the tribal rolls. Payment to next of kin and legatees, and payment for the account of persons under twenty-one years of age or under legal disability shall be completed within the same period of time to the maximum extent possible.

SEC. 4. All costs incurred by the Secretary in the preparation of such rolls and the payment of such per capita shares shall be paid by appropriate withdrawals out of the fund or funds on deposit in the Treasury of the United States arising out of such judgments.

SEC. 5. The Secretary is authorized to prescribe the necessary rules and regulations to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Approved August 30, 1954.

Public Law 716

CHAPTER 1086

August 30, 1954
[H. R. 7290]

AN ACT

To authorize an appropriation for the construction of certain public-school facilities on the Klamath Indian Reservation at Chiloquin, Oregon.

Klamath Indian
Reservation.

School construc-
tion.

Conditions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$206,880 to be used by the Secretary of Interior for assisting the Klamath County School District in constructing and equipping new public-school facilities, which shall include an elementary school site, school building, and necessary equipment, on the Klamath Indian Reservation at Chiloquin, Klamath County, Oregon.

SEC. 2. The expenditure of any money appropriated pursuant to the first section of this Act shall be subject to the express conditions that (1) 40 per centum of the cost of such facilities shall be paid by the Klamath County School District; (2) such facilities shall be available to all Indian children of the district on the same terms, except as to payment from Federal funds of tuition of Indian children under Federal supervision, as other children of the district; (3) the cost of preparing the plans and specifications for such facilities, to be furnished by the local or State authorities, shall be paid out of the appropriation authorized in this Act in the same proportion as the building costs; (4) upon the approval of such plans and specifications by the Secretary of the Interior, the actual work shall proceed under the supervision of such local authority; and (5) payment for the work completed shall be made monthly on vouchers properly certified by the local officials of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Approved August 30, 1954.

Public Law 717

CHAPTER 1087

August 30, 1954
[H. R. 8020]

AN ACT

Authorizing the transfer of certain property of the United States Government (in Klamath County, Oregon) to the State of Oregon.

Klamath County,
Oreg.
Land transfer.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the General Services Administration be, and is hereby, authorized to transfer to

the State of Oregon certain property of the United States Government situated in Klamath County, Oregon, and described as follows: All that portion of the southwest quarter northwest quarter and the southeast quarter northwest quarter of section 22, township 39 south, range 9 east, Willamette meridian, Klamath County, Oregon, described as follows:

Commencing at the north quarter corner of said section 22, thence, leaving said north quarter corner, south no degrees twenty-one minutes west a distance of one thousand three hundred and forty-three feet to the center line of the county road known as the Joe Wright Road; thence continuing south no degrees twenty-one minutes west a distance of thirty feet to the southerly right-of-way boundary of said county road; thence along said southerly right-of-way boundary, north eighty-nine degrees three minutes west a distance of one hundred fifty-four and six-tenths feet to the true point of beginning; thence leaving said southerly boundary south no degrees twenty-one minutes west, a distance of five hundred and thirty-two feet to a point; thence north eighty-nine degrees three minutes west a distance of two hundred and thirteen feet to a point, thence north no degrees twenty-one minutes east a distance of five hundred and thirty-two feet to said southerly right-of-way boundary; thence along said southerly right-of-way boundary south eighty-nine degrees three minutes east a distance of two hundred and thirteen feet to the true point of beginning and containing an area of two and sixty one-hundredths acres more or less, and shall be conveyed together with all buildings, improvements thereon, and all appurtenances and utilities belonging or appertaining thereto, and the General Services Administration shall execute and deliver in the name of the United States in its behalf any and all contracts, conveyances, or other instruments as may be necessary to effectuate the said transfer: *Provided*, That there shall be reserved to the United States all minerals, including oil and gas, in the lands authorized for conveyance of this section.

There shall be reserved to the United States, in the conveyance of the above-described lands, rights of ingress and egress over roads in the above-described lands serving buildings or other works operated by the United States or its successors or assigns in connection with the Klamath project. There shall be further reserved in said lands all rights-of-way for waterlines, sewer lines, telephone and telegraph lines, powerlines, and such other utilities as now exist, or may become necessary to the operation of said Klamath project.

Such conveyance shall contain a provision that said property shall be used primarily for training of the National Guard or Air National Guard and for other military purposes, and that, if the State of Oregon shall cease to use the property so conveyed for the primary purposes intended, then title thereto shall immediately revert to the United States and, in addition, all improvements made by the State of Oregon during its occupancy shall vest in the United States without payment of compensation therefor.

Such conveyance shall contain the further provision, that whenever the Congress of the United States shall declare a state of war or other national emergency, or the President declares a state of emergency to exist, and upon the determination by the appropriate Secretary that the property so conveyed is useful or necessary for military, air, or naval purposes, or in the interest of national defense, the United States shall have the right, without obligation to make payment of any kind, to reenter upon the property and use the same or any part thereof, including any and all improvements made by the State of Oregon for the duration of such state of war or other national emergency and upon the cessation thereof plus six months said property

Rights reserved.

Use.

National emergency.

is to revert to the State of Oregon together with any or all facilities and improvements, appurtenances, and utilities thereon or appertaining thereto other than those hereinabove reserved to the United States.

63 Stat. 388.

SEC. 2. The property herein transferred shall come within the provisions of section 203 (k) (2) (D) of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended (40 U. S. C., 484 (k) (2) (D)).

Approved August 30, 1954.

Public Law 718

CHAPTER 1088

AN ACT

August 30, 1954
[H. R. 8252]

For the relief of the city of Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Fort Smith, Ark.

60 Stat. 170,
49 USC 1101
note.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the city of Fort Smith, Arkansas, the sum of \$2,381.75. The payment of such sum shall be in full settlement of all claims of the city of Fort Smith, Arkansas, against the United States for expenses for engineering fees incurred in connection with the project for the improvement of the Fort Smith Municipal Airport approved under the Federal Airport Act: *Provided*, That no part of the amount appropriated in this Act shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or attorney on account of services rendered in connection with this claim, and the same shall be unlawful, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding \$1,000.

Approved August 30, 1954.

Public Law 719

CHAPTER 1089

AN ACT

August 30, 1954
[H. R. 9712]

Granting the consent of Congress to certain New England States to enter into a compact relating to higher education in the New England States and establishing the New England Board of Higher Education.

New England
Higher Education
Compact.
Consent of Con-
gress.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby given to any two or more of the States of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont to enter into the following compact and agreement relative to higher education and creating the New England Board of Higher Education.

The compact reads as follows:

ARTICLE I.

The purposes of the New England Higher Education Compact shall be to provide greater educational opportunities and services through the establishment and maintenance of a co-ordinated educational program for the persons residing in the several states of New England parties to this compact, with the aim of furthering higher education in the fields of medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, public health and in professional, technical, scientific, literary and other fields.